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Dear Alice Wairimu Nderitu

On behalf of the Arab Organization for Human Rights (AOHR) and its 24 Branches and Affiliated Organizations, serving in 27 Arab and European Countries, I would like to express our shock of your unbalanced statement dated 15, October 2023, we believe that your statement represents not only a double standard for the indivisible humanity and the international common values, but also, we are genuinely convinced that you stepped outside your mandate for the sake of a very political giants. We are wondering how your statement serves the image and reputation of the United Nations as an independent neutral impartial body?

Dear Special advisor, let us remind you with the definition of Genocide based on the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, and Rome statute where your mandate is derived,

Article II

In the present Convention, genocide means any of the following acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnical, racial or religious group, as such:

- (a) Killing members of the group;
- (b) Causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group;
- (c) Deliberately inflicting on the group conditions of life calculated to bring about its physical destruction in whole or in part;
 - (d) Imposing measures intended to prevent births within the group;
 - (e) Forcibly transferring children of the group to another group.

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court,

Article 6 Genocide

For the purpose of this Statute, "genocide" means any of the following acts committed with intent to

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Since October 7, Israel forced over 1:3 million inhabitants to evict northern part of small Gaza strip, up until today, Israeli Military Forces killed over 6500, over 2700 of them are children, and over 1500 women, cutting food, medicine, electricity, fuel, and all life commodities, preventing humanitarian aids into Gaza following an order by the Israeli defense minister who also described Palestinians of being human animals as their lives worthless.

Dear Special advisor, we are asking you on what is your definition crime of Genocide?

What we are seeing and monitoring on daily bases, is mounting to act of genocide if not a full-fledged Genocide Crime.

We are calling upon you to speak truth to power without any politization, we are calling on your remaining humanity if any to act in conformity with the mandate entailed on you.

Finally, we are calling you to withdraw your statement and anchor any future statements on contextual facts, and we stand ready to provide your office with the necessary documentation for the ongoing slaughter for the Palestinian civilians in the occupied Palestinian territories.

Best regards

Sincerely Alaa Shalaby

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